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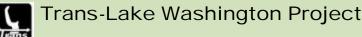
Safety/Preservation Alternative:

- Improves safety/reliability in the corridor
- Replaces aging/substandard structures in the corridor
 - Floating section
 - Seismically substandard sections
- Provide bicycle/pedestrian facilities the length of the corridor
- Does not significantly increase capacity in the corridor
- Should be included in the EIS due to level of impacts



6 Lane Alternatives:

- Improve safety/reliability in the corridor
- Provide bicycle/pedestrian facilities the length of the corridor
- Improves flow in the corridor due to separating movements
- Does not significantly increase vehicle throughput across the lake
- Provides significantly improved travel times/person throughput for HOV/transit users
- Local access may need some modification
- Should be included in the EIS
- Environmental impacts, costs, become more apparent



8 Lane Alternatives:

- Provide bicycle/pedestrian facilities the length of the corridor
- Person and vehicular throughput increased over other alternatives, however bottlenecks become more prevalent
- Added traffic at I-5 problematic
- Local access is more problematic than other alternatives
- Highest level of impacts to the natural environment, and to local arterials
- Higher costs
- QUESTIONS REMAIN......



BRT/HOV:

- Person throughput similar to HCT alternatives over next 20 years
- Beyond 20 years BRT faces capacity constraints in downtown Seattle, University District, and possibly downtown Bellevue

High Capacity Transit:

- Both I-90 and SR 520 meet long-term transit capacity needs
- Ridership very similar across I-90 and SR 520



High Capacity Transit (continued):

- SR 520 route provides additional north-south capacity into downtown
 - Cannot merge with LINK connection
 - Transfer is accommodated
- I-90 route takes advantage of existing infrastructure investments
 - Across the lake
 - Between the lake and downtown Seattle
 - In the downtown tunnel
- QUESTIONS REMAIN......



Trans-Lake Washington Project

How do the other large corridor projects integrate with SR 520 as a system?

Work Plan/Schedule

I-90

- Modeling for I-90 LRT w/o added HOV
- Geometric evaluation for I-90 LRT w/ 3 GP and HOV
- I-90 parallel HCT bridge evaluation
- ST Board decision on EA vs.. EIS, and alternatives to be evaluated

I-405

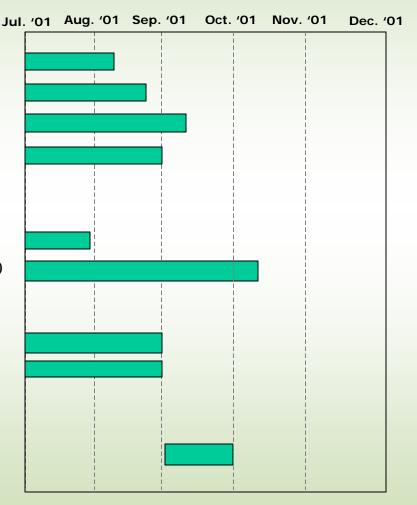
- Modeling/operations work w/ I-405 PPA
- I-405/SR 520 I/C alternatives evaluation (incl. 108th 124th)

I-5

- SR 520/I-5 I/C alternatives evaluation
- I-5 Lane Continuity Study integration

LINK Alignment

• ST Board decision on status of several north corridor options under study, (Eastlake, Montlake, High level Br., etc.)





Trans-Lake Washington Project

What additional questions will be addressed prior to the Draft EIS?

Work Plan/Schedule

- 2030 Modeling
- Engr/Environ Work at
 - Montlake cut crossing (incl. Navigational Study)
 - Bear Cr./Marymoore Park
 - 4, 6, 8 lane I/C definition
 - Local traffic analysis/improv.
- TDM Definition
 - Pricing Feasibility/Strategy
 - Initiate corridor agreement discussions
- Enhancement (Lid) Recommendations for EIS
- Renderings/Perspectives and Key Locations
- Noise Monitoring
- ESA Indirect Effects Assessment
- EIS Methodology Report

